



CSBG Success Story

Please submit success story to Jessica Simon at jessica.simon@commerce.wa.gov. If you have questions, contact Jessica at 360-725-2850. Due Date: The 10th of the month the story is due.

Date: 1/10/2010

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1. Success Story is for:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARRA <input type="checkbox"/> FFY 09 (skip to question 8) <input type="checkbox"/> FFY 10 (skip questions 6 & 7)
2. CSBG Project Name:	Housing Referral Program
3. Total Project Budget:	\$100,000
4. Total CSBG Amount of Budget:	\$100,000
5. Number of total clients expected to serve, with all funds for the project:	200
6. Number of ARRA jobs expected to be created/retained as a result of this project:	1
7. Number of ARRA jobs actually created/retained as a result of this project to date:	1
8. Brief project/activity description:	The Housing Referral Program employs a Housing Advocate who helps families and individuals that are homeless or at risk of losing housing find temporary and long term housing solutions. The Housing Advocate also participates on boards and community activities that focus on the provision of fair and equitable housing for Seattle's low income population.
9. How will this project help clients, build community, and form new partnerships? What aspects of the project would you like to share with the public:	
Through the course of referring clients to community and partner resources, CAMP has been able to identify trends that lead many of our clients to homelessness and the inability to retain housing. We have seen that increasingly mental illness is the lead catalyst for loss of housing. Other factors that increase homelessness among our clients are domestic violence, unemployment, and substance abuse. By helping our clients address these issues, our agency is better positioned to help low income families of Seattle obtain adequate housing. Also through the Housing Referral Program, we have been able to identify gaps in community programming that do not address issues that many of our clients face. To help address the lack of service for our clients, the CAMP Housing Advocate, along with representatives from our community partners, has formed the Coalition for Equitable Change. This group of case managers, administrators, and community advocates meet at CAMP monthly to exchange ideas, information, and best practices as it relates to housing issues faced by low income families and communities of color in Seattle.	

